TOPIC Chapter 18 Lease Renewal, Five Island Lake, Palo Alto County -Rick and Carol Reed

The Natural Resource Commission's approval is requested for the renewal of Chapter 18 Lease Number 94-R with Rick and Carol Reed of Emmetsburg, Iowa. The lease is a condition of a construction permit issued in 1993. The area has been under lease since 1993.

The lease allows a 30' wide by 55' long access to the Reed property from a public access road to Five Island Lake. The site is located in Section 18, Township 96 North, Range 32 West of the 5th P.M., Palo Alto, County.

The public access road is currently maintained on a seasonal basis. The lessee may remove snow from the access road to benefit access to their property.

The term of the lease will be for five years. The annual fee is \$150.00 with a condition that the fee may be adjusted to comply with adopted administrative rule changes that affect lease fees.

TOPIC Chapter 18 Lease Renewal, Missouri River, Woodbury County -L.G. Everist, Inc.

The Natural Resource Commission's approval is requested for the renewal of Chapter 18 Lease Number 91-R with L.G. Everist, Inc. of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The location has been under lease since 1993.

The leased area is located on the bed of the Missouri River in the Southwest quarter of Section 13, Township 88 North, Range 48 West in Woodbury County, Iowa. It is located approximately 1.5 miles south of the Interstate Highway 29 bridge at Missouri River Mile 727.3 at Bridgeport Industrial Park, Sioux City.

The leased area contains 4 timber dolphin pilings occupying less than 500 square feet of riverbed and allows the extension of a loading conveyor over the Missouri River. The dolphins are used to tie barges for the loading of construction aggregates.

The term of the lease will be for five years. The annual fee is \$300.00 with a condition that the fee may be adjusted to comply with adopted administrative rule changes that affect lease fees.

TOPIC Chapter 18 Lease Renewal, Triboji Beach, Dickinson County -Ann Plendl

The Natural Resource Commission's approval is requested for the renewal of Chapter 18 Lease Number 36-R with Ann Plendl of Kingsley, Iowa. The area has been under lease since 1983.

The leased area is approximately 5 feet wide by 10 feet long and is adjacent to Lot 18, Block A of the Triboji Beach Subdivision in Section 2, Township 99 North, Range 37 West of the 5th P.M., West Lake Okoboji, Dickinson County, Iowa.

The area contains a small boat storage house and steps for dock access.

The term of the lease will be for five years. The annual fee is \$150.00 with a condition that the fee may be adjusted to comply with adopted administrative rule changes that affect lease fees.

TOPIC Easement – Glover's Point Bend Wildlife Management Area, Woodbury

County -- Army Corps of Engineers

The Natural Resource Commission's approval is requested to issue a fifty year easement to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to maintain constructed improvements to enhance wetland habitat at Glovers Point Bend Wildlife Management Area in Woodbury County, located on the Missouri River approximately 10 miles downstream of Sioux City.

Greg Jones facilitated the Easement Agreement

The easement will cover the north 18 acres of an approximately 67 acre parcel of Iowa sovereign land located west of the existing river channel. The land accreted to the sovereign bed of the river as a result of the Corps' improvement projects constructed along the river since the 1940s. A water control structure was constructed on DNR property, under an issued DNR construction permit, as part of a larger project primarily located in Nebraska. The \$4M project was federally funded under the Missouri River Bank Stabilization and Navigation, Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Project.

The easement will convey the right to create, establish, construct, maintain, patrol, regulate, preserve, and restore fish and wildlife habitat and appurtenant structures; the right to post signs indicating the extent of the federal government's control within the area covered by the easement; and to use existing road systems and other land under the easement for ingress and egress for the purposes exercising the rights granted.

The value of the wetland habitat improvement to be made to Glover's Point Bend Wildlife Management Area is the consideration for the easement.

TOPIC Easement – Tyson's Bend Wildlife Management Area, Harrison County –

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

The Natural Resource Commission's approval is requested to issue a fifty year easement to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) to construct and maintain wetland habitat improvements and expand the backwater area Tyson's Bend Wildlife Management Area in Harrison County. Tyson's Bend Wildlife Management Area is located on the Missouri River six miles upstream of Desoto Bend National Wildlife Refuge and approximately 4 miles west of the town of Modale.

Greg Jones facilitated the Easement Agreement.

The easement will cover approximately 760 acres of public owned land accreted to the sovereign bed of the river as a result of the Corps' improvement projects constructed along the river since the 1940's. Federal funding under the Missouri River Bank Stabilization and Navigation, Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Project will be used for construction. Estimated cost for phase one construction is \$5M. Construction for phase one is scheduled to begin in fall of 2008. The cost for phase two is estimated to exceed \$5M. DNR Wildlife and Fisheries Bureau staffs have participated in the project review and concur with the proposed project plan.

The easement will convey the right to create, establish, construct, maintain, patrol, regulate, preserve, and restore fish and wildlife habitat and appurtenant structures; the right to post signs indicating the extent of the federal government's control within the area covered by the easement; and to use existing road systems and other land under the easement for ingress and egress for the purposes exercising the rights granted.

The value of the wetland habitat improvements to be made to the Tyson's Bend Wildlife Management Area is proposed as the consideration for the easement.

TOPIC Management Agreement – Prairie Resource Unit, Polk County -- Department of Corrections and Polk County Conservation Board

The Natural Resource Commission's approval is requested for a 20 year Management Agreement between the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), the Department of Corrections (DOC) and the Polk County Conservation Board (PCCB) to provide for native seed production for use on public lands.

Greg Jones facilitated the Management Agreement.

The purpose of the Agreement is to provide work through public service opportunities for offenders in the Iowa Correctional Institution for Women in Polk County; to provide labor and growing facilities for the Iowa DNR Prairie Resource Center; and to enhance the cooperative program between the DNR and the PCCB to create wildlife habitat diversity on public lands.

Under the agreement, the DOC will provide land needed for native seed production; greenhouse space and associated utilities for propagation of native plants; labor for greenhouse operation; and all offender supervision and security. All operations will be on property owned by the DOC. The DNR will provide all propagated plants for production plots; all consumable project materials such as planting medium, seed and weed barrier fabric; a seed dryer; cleaning and processing of seed; and transportation of seed and plants to and from the DOC facility. The PCCB will provide equipment for soil preparation and installation of weed barrier fabric and personnel to provide guidance in the planting, maintenance and harvest of seed production plots. The DNR and the PCCB will share equally in harvested seed. All seed will only be planted on public land.

The agreement will allow a 30 day termination in the event of lack of funding or law changes.